

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: INTERSTATE POWER AND LIGHT COMPANY	DOCKET NOS. RPU-02-3 RPU-02-8
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ORDER SCHEDULING ADDITIONAL CONSUMER COMMENT HEARINGS

(Issued September 5, 2002)

Pursuant to 199 IAC 7.7(16), the Utilities Board (Board) has held nine consumer comment hearings in Docket No. RPU-02-3 to provide an opportunity for Interstate Power and Light Company's (IPL) customers to express their views regarding the pending electric rate case filed on March 29, 2002, and identified as Docket No. RPU-02-3, as well as the general quality of service provided by IPL. On July 31, 2002, IPL filed an application for approval of a class cost-of-service study, rate design, and rate consolidation plan. The case was identified as Docket No. RPU-02-8 and consolidated with Docket No. RPU-02-3. The new application is revenue neutral with respect to IPL's total Iowa jurisdictional revenues proposed in Docket No. RPU-02-3, but the rate design and rate consolidation proposals would result in changes for most, if not all, of IPL's individual customers.

Some of the proposed rate changes in Docket No. RPU-02-8 are significant, particularly for customers in the Southern pricing zone. While rate consolidation was discussed at the consumer comment hearings previously held, the Board will schedule two additional hearings because of public interest in the consolidation

proposal. The hearings will be held in Ottumwa and Osceola. The Board reminds persons attending the consumer hearings that specific service complaints cannot be addressed at the consumer comment hearings. Persons with specific service complaints must follow the procedures set forth in 199 IAC 6.2.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

1. A consumer comment hearing shall be held for the purpose of receiving public comments from the general public on September 25, 2002, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Ballroom of the Hotel Ottumwa (formerly the Parkview Plaza), 107 East Second Street, Ottumwa, Iowa.
2. A consumer comment hearing shall be held for the purpose of receiving public comments from the general public on October 2, 2002, beginning at 7 p.m. at the Ballroom of the Lakeside Casino Resort, 777 Casino Drive, Osceola, Iowa.
3. Persons with disabilities requiring assistive services or devices to observe or participate should contact the Utilities Board at (515) 281-5256 in advance of the appropriate scheduled date to request that appropriate arrangements be made.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Diane Munns

/s/ Mark O. Lambert

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

/s/ Elliott Smith

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 5th day of September, 2002.